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Dear Beneficiary, Parent and/or Guardian,

You are getting this letter because your child recently received Medicaid Private Duty Nursing (PDN) in Michigan. Right now, Michigan only allows up to 16 hours of PDN per day, and many kids get less than they need. Some doctors even base their recommendations on this limit.

Disability Rights Michigan (DRM) has been asking the state to remove these limits so children can get the hours they truly need. We believe Medicaid law requires this.

### **A New PDN Policy is Coming – Speak Up Now**

The Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS) is proposing a new policy (see enclosed) that would remove the 16 hour limit and make other changes. If approved, it would start November 1, 2025.

You can share your thoughts with MDHHS before **September 17, 2025**. Public feedback can help improve the policy. DRM is also gathering input from parents and caregivers. Please share your feedback with us, too.

What you can do:

- Email your comments to MDHHS at [khaleda@michigan.gov](mailto:khaleda@michigan.gov)
- Contact DRM if you want help writing or sending your comment
- Contact DRM with questions or feedback about the policy

### **Important Updates From Our PDN Investigation**

- **Right to Denial Notice:** If your child is approved for fewer PDN hours than you asked for, you have the right to a denial notice. A request for six months of 12 hours approved for two months each of 12, then 10, then 8 is a type of denial. Missing a notice? **Call the Program Review Division at 1-800-622-0276.**
- **Requests Over the Current Limits:** Some requests for more hours than the current formula allows are already being approved. If your medical team thinks your child needs more hours, contact us for tips on making a well-supported request.

### **Contact Disability Rights Michigan**

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## **Who We Are**

Disability Rights Michigan is a nonprofit that advocates for the rights of individuals with disabilities. We do not charge the people we help. Learn more at <https://www.drmich.org/about-us/>.

Sincerely,

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